

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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FOREIGN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITIES

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Government to allow Foreign Technological Universities to collaborate with Indian Universities and Institutes to conduct joint programme;
- (b) whether suitable regulations in this regard have been brought out by the Government;and
- (c) if so,the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT.D.PURANDESWARI)

(a) According to the All India Council for Technical Education(AICTE),it has received 56 proposals from Indian education providers to conduct technical education programmes in collaboration with Foreign Universities/Institutions.Six institutions have been registered by AICTE for providing technical education in India in collaboration with six foreign universities/institutions.Indian Universities being autonomous have,since 2004,been allowed to enter into MoU for collaborative research programmes with foreign universities/institutions of higher learning,and no prior permission of Central Government/State Governments or the University Grants Commission is necessary in that regard.

(b)&(c): At present,only All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has framed regulations,which were last revised in the year 2005,for the entry and operation of foreign universities/institutions for imparting technical education in India.A legislative proposal for regulating the entry and operation of foreign educational institutions,in India is under consideration of the Government.